Self-reliance is all right, but independence is out of the question. No man gets along in life without the co-operation and support of other men.

The Tropico Inter-urban Sentinel

It is the mark of an active and cultivated mind that sees use, purpose, goodness, where others see blankness or badness.

A better country than the San Fernando Valley to live in may have been made, but has not yet been discovered.

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THE TRUSTEES MEETING

A Large Number of Property Owners Along Brand Blvd. Give Their Opinions

ASPHALT TO BE USED

Eng. Lynch Gives Approximate Costs on Paving While H. B. Lynch Gives Talk Regarding Street Lights

The regular meeting of the Trustees was held last Thursday night, all members being present.

J. E. Hill, representative of the Pacific Electric, conferred with the trustees in regard to the franchise of the "belt line." Upon the first reading of the ordinance Mr. Hill on behalf of the company took exception to the clause that required stops at every block, saying that the city might cause any number of blocks to be created, which would make it impossible to give good service if the ordinance was strictly followed out. Mr. Hill also objected to building fence along the right of away.

The ordinance calls for a fifty-year franchise and was given the first and second readings.

Several property owners on Brand boulevard were present at the meeting in response to a request from the city clerk. The trustees ask for an expression from all the owners as to the grade of improvement that they would desire on the street. Almost without exception the property holders ask that an asphalt pavement be laid and that street lights be installed.

Engineer Lynch stated that the street improvement should be in the neighborhood of $4.98 per running foot for a 28-foot street. The Pacific Electric would be required to meet half of this amount. The street lights, as proposed, will be the same as those now installed in Glendale with a five-light cluster every hundred feet. These lights would cost the property owners $1.50 per running foot. By using a three-light

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HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

GLENDALE WINS FROM HOLLYWOOD

The two teams went to Hollywood last Wednesday, the 10th, for a practice game with the Hollywood teams. Hollywood has no lightweight team so our lightweights lined up against their second team for a preliminary contest. The Hollywood second team were too heavy for our little fellows so consequently we lost. The score and line-up was as follows: Breeden, 3 foul goals; Balthis, 2 field goals; Fishel, 1 field goal; Stauffacher, Lovejoy, 1 field goal; Knight, substitute. This makes a total of 11 points. Hollywood made a score of 35 points.

The first team game was much different. Ferguson refereed the first half and called 8 fouls on the Hollywood five and but three on Glendale. The score at the end of the first half was 18 to 7 in our favor. The second half the Hollywood coach refereed and he evidently did not know a foul when he saw one. That half was nothing but a rough house and the Hollywood bunch thought that they, having the advantage of weight, would be able to slip one over on us, but they did not.

The final score was: Glendale 30, Hollywood 19. The line-up and score per man was as follows: Simon, 2 field goals; Snively, 6 field goals; Bidwell, 4 field 4 foul goals; Brown, 1 field goal; Litchfield, Gilmore and Nichols, subs.

SECOND LEAGUE GAME

The lightweights won from the Whittier lightweights last Saturday, the 13th, at Whittier. The Whittier boys had the advantage over our fellows in the way of the poor light and the low ceiling but the fast little five went through for a final score of 25 to 13. The first team did not come out so good, however. In the first place the poor lights, in the second place the team was nervous and out of condition from the night rehearsals for the school play and last but not least the

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Closing Year Marks Civic Progess

Building During the Past Six Months Is Extensive. Streets Have Been Placed In An Excellent Condition. The Schools Have Been and Will Be Improved

The Proposed Electric Belt Line to Offer Outlet for People in East Tropico and East Glendale With the Paving of Brand Blvd. with Asphaltum, A Continuation of Street Lights from Glendale, A Depot and Business Blocks Under Discussion Tropico Bids Fair to Develop the "Big Head"

Without being unduly egotistical, Tropico can look with pride at the progress that this little city has made in the past six months.

Such is the statement that can be truthfully made after making a careful examination of the growth of the various city civic departments. Growth has been steady in all the various branches, and while no phenomenal increase is noted in any particular part, a steady onward movement has resulted.

Comparisons offer the best method of ascertaining the true conditions. Many cities in the southern part of this state have made little or no progress during the past six months. In the last issue of this paper, we offered a reprint from a paper in a neighboring town, in which it was stated that during the past year not an improvement had been made in the nature of streets, lights, etc. At the same time the taxes were higher.

A resume of the condition of the various departments follows:

The report of Building Inspector C. L. Jennings of residences completed in the past six months follows. Additions and buildings other than residences have not been taken into account:

July.	
Pacific Home Bldrs., Gardena Ave.	$ 3000
Percy DeGaston, 415 N. Glendale Ave.	2150
W. W. West, 615 Gardena Ave.	2000
Mrs. Cate, Blanche Ave.	2000
A. C. Phillips, Acacia and Glendale Ave.	1500
August.	
A. J. Prues, W. Cypress St.	2000
W. O. Hood, 210 Moore Ave.	1000
Henry Heide, Cypress & Boynton	3000
Pacific Home Bldrs., 616 Vassar St.	3500
Gilbert Cate, 211 N. Glendale Ave.	2000
Montague Cleves, 228 Boynton Ave.	1500
A. J. Van Wie, 221 W. Cypress St.	1700
September.	
E. F. Oberdick, 300 Boynton Ave.	1000
Mrs. E. Williams, 321 W. Tenth St.	1500
October.	
Milton Hesse, 227 W. Cypress St.	2000
T. B. Hollister, 601 Gardena Ave.	2000
Mrs. Fredrickson, 207 E. Tropico Ave.	1500
November.	
Oscar N. Dennison, 226 Mira Loma St.	2000
G. H. Damon, 535 N. Central Ave.	2500
J. F. Peters, 527 Columbus Ave.	1250
Laclarez, Wilkinson Court	1000
W. A. Dutton, Virginia Place	2000
December.	
S. Berman, Palmer Ave.	1000
C. M. Retts, 527 Tabree Court	1300
Total	$43,400

The report of J. L. Fishback, street superintendent for the past six months, follows:

East Cypress and Mountain Ave., 703 feet	$ 1623
Dunbarton, 702 feet	2282
Boynton and Moore Sts., 1103 feet	2676
Cerritos, 391 feet	1098
Palm Ave., 734 feet	1117
San Fernando, 3383 feet	6098
Total, 7014 feet	$15,594

Contracts have been let for the improving of 1500 feet on Cypress St. and Blanche Ave.

THE BELT LINE

It is extremely hard to estimate the increase in property value that will follow the completion of the best line.

Leaving the main Glendale-Los Angeles line, between Cypress street and Tropico avenue, the line goes diagonally in a northeasterly direction, crossing Boynton street and proceeding in the same direction until it strikes the east line of the Tropico city limits. From that point it swings due north into Glendale.

According to the franchise which has passed the second reading by the trustees, the service will be at least every half hour, every other car from the main line making this detour.

This will afford an adequate car service to the people in East Tropico and in East Glendale. Tracts that heretofore have been but partially developed will take on new activities, which will insure a larger population to both cities.

THE SCHOOLS

The enrollment this year is decidedly in increase over last year. Better facilities in the teaching, which, coupled with a higher standard, make the schools of this city second to none.

Efficiency in the schools has been the keynote this year. The effects are self-evident and the present management of the city schools is to be congratulated on its work.

ANOTHER BOOSTER

CLENDENIN SELLS EASTERN HOLDINGS

The following is an excerpt taken from a recent Baltimore daily. W. J. Clendenin owns a large amount of property, both here in Tropico and in Glendale. As soon as he has disposed of his holdings in the East he will make his home in this section definitely:

"A large deal involving property in Northwest Baltimore was closed yesterday morning when Robert Seff purchased as an investment 135 houses belonging to W. J. Clendenin. Between $80,000 and $100,000 is represented in the sale.

"The houses which were sold through the office of Samuel Siegael, are situated as follows: Fifty-nine two-story houses in the 1900 block of Patterson place, between North avenue and Clifton Park, 19 of which are subject to ground rents of $42, and the remainder to $45; 5 two-story houses from 1900 to 1928 Patterson Park avenue, the lots 13.6 by 80 feet, being subject to ground rents of $52 each; 37 houses betwen 1901 and 1875 North Collington avenue, the last being 14 by 80 feet, and subject to ground rents of $52 each; 8 houses on the east side of Ellwood place, in the 1900 block, and 9 houses on the west side, the lots 13 by 75 feet and subject to ground rents of $45 each, and 7 houses in the 1900 block of Regester street, the ground rent being $42 each."

With one voice the great army of country storekeepers assert that the fountainhead of their troubles is to be found in the mail-order house, and that this well-spring of woe is destined soon to drown out the small country merchant and the community he serves, unless some mighty miracle of prevention speedily intervenes. These storekeepers believe the catalogue house to be the most cunning and efficient disguise that the trust has ever assumed—the most vicious and destructive form of predatory wealth known to man.—Forrest Crissey, in the Saturday Evening Post.

HOLD ANNUAL ELECTION

N. P. Banks G. A. R. and W. R. C. Hold Their Annual Election of Officers

ROSS IS COMMANDER

Women's Relief Corps, Election Results Satisfactory. Mrs. Mary Pollock Is Chosen For Corps President

The annual election of officers of N. P. Banks Post, G. A. R., resulted in the selection of Comrade L. A. Ross as post commander, B. Lovelace, senior vice-commander; J. R. Fletcher, junior vice-commander; W. E. Pratt, quarter master; Dr. A. H. Guernsey, surgeon; Rev. C. R. Norton, chaplain; Robert N. Taylor, officer of the day; J. Bailey Hickman, officer of the guard; Rev. D. D. Cheney, patriotic instructor; J. A. Thayer, color bearer; Comrades N. H. Emick and B. F. Jones, representatives to Department Encampment; T. Atkinson and G. O. Grisso, alternates.

N. P. Banks, Women's Relief Corps, auxiliary to N. P. Banks Post, has elected Mrs. Mary Pollock, corps president; Mrs. Julina Haues, senior vice-president; Mrs. Minnie Hough, junior vice-president; Mrs. Susie Peck, treasurer; Mrs. Mary Bortgick, chaplain; Mrs. Elizabeth Spafford, conductor; Mrs. Quentina Hammond, guard; Mrs. Abbie Haskel, patriotic instructor; Mrs. Julina Hayes, Mrs. Hettie Williams and Mrs. Susie Peck, delegates to Department convention; Mrs. Gertrude Griffin, Mrs. Alma Dutton and Mrs. Hattie C. Collins, alternates; Mrs. Gertrude Griffin, trustee. Each year the members of the corps donate canned fruits, jams, preserves and jellies to one or more of the charitable and needy institutions of Los Angeles, besides caring for any needy ones in Tropico and vicinity. This year the ladies of this patriotic and charitable organization have donated a large quantity of choice home prepared fruits which will go with a Merry Christmas to the Florence Crittenton Home of Los Angeles.

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Your Christmas table calls for an extra effort and your dinner will be talked about for some time to come by the visitors. This demands careful expenditures, and you want the quality to be up to the standard. The coming week will be a busy one for us and we have prepared for it by securing the best, and daily orders will be the pick of the orchard and garden. Don't put off until the last minute, but put in your order now for later delivery.

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LIBRARY NOTES

The following new books have recently been added to the library:

"Gold," "The Magic Forest," "Fighting With Fremont," "The Cave of Gold," "With Kit Carson in the Rockies," "Andrew the Glad," "The Tinder Box," "Loss of the Silver Sword," "Leage of the Signet Ring," "T. Tembarom,' by Mrs. Burnett; "The Princess Passes," by Williamsons; "Adventures of Francois," "The House of Happiness," by Bosher; "Beechy," "A Double Thread," "Peggy Owen," "Kate Bonnet," "The Dark Flower," "The Valiants of Virginia," "Mary Midthorne," "The Patchwork Girl of Oz," "The Coryston Family," by Mrs. Ward; "The Brohere Halo," by Florence Barelay," "The Valley of the Moon," by Jack London; "The Poison Belt," by Conan Doyle; "Miss Santa Clause of the Pullman," "Story of Waitstill Baxter," by Mrs. Wiggins; "The Gringos," by Bower; "The Lovely Lady," "The Double Life of Mr. Alfred Burton," "Baby Birds at Home," "Handbook of Birds of the Western U. S.," "The Boy Craftsman," "The Handy Boy," "The Boy Mechanic."

The library is in receipt of a very complete report from the United States Department of Agriculture of the irrigation resources of California, and their utilization. It contains large and clear maps of the different irrigation districts and is valuable for reference to any one interested in this subject.

There have been several inquiries in reference to the correspondence courses offered by the University of California, the announcement of which can be seen at the library. LIBRARIAN.

TROPICO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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To all a cordial welcome and seats free.

Wednesday evening Devotional and Social Hour at 7:30 p. m.

The prediction is made that fresh eggs will reach 75 cents a dozen this season. Can't someone find a way of persuading Mrs. Biddy to be more energetic?

CORNERSTONE IS LAID

150 MASONS TAKE PART IN THE CEREMONY AT GLENDALE LAST SATURDAY

Saturday was a day long to be remembered by the Masons of this city and of Glendale for on that day the corner stone for the new temple to be erected between Fifth and Sixth streets in Glendale, was laid.

About 150 Masons took part in the beautiful rite. Many visiting members of other temples being present.

Judge Bledsoe of San Bernardino, the worshipful grand master of the Masons, presided at the ceremony and was assisted by the following officers:

John Hobbs of Tropico, deputy grand master; John H. Bean of Los Angeles, senior grand warden; Calvin Yarnell of Los Angeles, junior grand warden; Edward B. Spencer of Los Angeles, grand secretary; Alex Culver of Los Angeles, grand treasurer; Dr. F. E. Burke of Los Angeles.

The following papers were placed in the box, which was laid in the corner stone:

1. The history of the Unity lodge, No. 368, F. & A. M.
2. A list of the members.
3. The lodge bulletin for December, 1913.
4. The by-laws of the Glen-Eyrie lodge, No. 237, O. E. S.
5. The program of the installation ceremonies of the Glen Eyrie chapter in December, 1912, Glendale.
6. A report of the water committee for 1913.
7. A list of the Glendale city officials for 1913.
8. A list of the Tropico officials for 1913.
9. The year book for the Tuesday Afternoon club for 1913.
11. A 1913 copper coin.

The laying of the corner stone marks an epoch in the Unity lodge, No. 363, F. & A. M.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Glendale. Services in the Masonic Hall on Brand Boulevard. Sunday, 11 a. m.; Wednesday, 8 p. m. Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Reading room, Parker & Sternberg Bldg., 415½ Brand Blvd., open daily from 12 to 4 p. m.

DANCING BOTTLES MERCILESSLY BROKEN BY TROPICO SHOTS

'Tis a legend of some hunters,
'Tis a legend to be sung
In the evening, under cover,
When the day's no longer young.

This is a story for credulous people. To those that balk at such truthful narratives as Robinson Crusoe or Swiss Family Robinson, we give warning that this tale will not bear your investigation. Better wait until the darkness creeps in upon you; wait until you think that the creaking of the chair is a ghost signal, for then and only then, will you be able to get your mental "digester" working.

This is a story of how all gunning records were shattered; of how ten hungry men found thirteen porterhouse steaks with trimmins'" insufficient, and of how ten men survived in the sun-parched hills without a drop to drink for one whole day.

Last Sunday morning at 10:30 Bill Wibelitz spun the engine once over, clambered to his place over an assortment of legs and shot guns and opened the throttle, stearing straight for Little Tejuenga. With him were Billy Gould, W. Frank, L. R. Ross, Ad. Fairfield, J. Ledger, F. Perrier, Lou Catlin and Dave Lowell. Also there was in evidence a large number of the shooting irons of various brands and bore to say nothing of a few edibles.

Arriving at the destination, Gould and Catlin were detailed to singe the steak, convert warty potatoes into French fries, and in general to go through such motions that goes to produce a meal.

The meal cooked, loquatious Billy Gould ejaculated the one word "eat" and the rest carried out the order. And after the meal was finished that that remained was not sufficient to feed the dogs.

Next in order came the shooting. Strange to relate, the targets used were empty bottles. Very peculiar that they should be left there so opportunely, but even still more peculiar was the fact that these same bottles should defy all natural laws, and, instead of standing still, would wobble shakily whenever shot at. But, as before said, all records

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STOP THE PEDDLERS

There is a law in Tropico which, for the protection of the citizens, prohibits peddling without a license. In the past week several glib-tongued artists have been operating in the city, and that without any restraint. A photographer, a gas stove agent and a furniture concern have made this route.

The class of merchandise that reaches the citizens in this manner is either exorbitantly priced or too shoddy to be sold over a counter. A merchant who attempted to follow their example would find that his doors would be as shunned as a police station. But in as much as the peddler is here today and gone tomorrow, they can afford to take such chances. They have nothing to lose.

As was said in the first paragraph, we have a law against them. We would be pleased to see that it is enforced.

AN ARGUMENT FOR ANNEXATION

An exchange is responsible for the following article. In reprinting the same we might add that it offers about the only good reason for annexation yet presented. There would be a great deal of honor in helping pay the taxes of the second highest expensive city government in the United States:

"Los Angeles has the second highest cost of city government per capita in the United States. The city of New York, noted as the most extravagantly governed city in the world, collects an average of $50.35 from each citizen for city government. Los Angeles collects $49.71. The next highest is St. Louis, with $28.04 per capita, Chicago with $27.45, and Philadelphia with $27.27. Los Angeles always did like to have the lead in everything, and if the taxes for the Owens River water keep on climbing, she may yet outstrip New York in the size of her city taxes."

A NEW CASE OF RABBIES

The latest case of rabies to come under the public's notice has been developed by the right honorable Messrs. Barnes, Penrose, Murphy and Crane, the members or the "spotless white" of the Republican machine.

Mr. Barnes in an interview states that Col. Roosevelt is a public menace to the people of these United States.

Without entering upon a discussion as to the possibility of Col. Roosevelt's candidacy for the Republican nomination next term, we can truthfully say that there is not a man before the public today who does and should enjoy more confidence than he. The people of the United States survived practically eight years of the "menace" and waxed fat on it.

As for the lily whites mentioned above, no introduction is needed. From soup to nuts they have hogged everything in the national feast whenever they had an opportunity to get their feet under the table. What is really good about it is the fact that the people know it. What is better yet, they have refused to stand for it any longer.

Yes, Brother Barnes, Col. Roosevelt is a menace—not to the public, but to Messrs. Barnes, Penrose, Murphy and Crane.

STRAWS IN THE WIND

Whether winds of good or bad fortune, there is always something adrift that shows the direction.

Before the meeting of the trustees last Thursday night a property owner, when asked what kind of improvement she was in favor of, responded: "The best is none too good for Tropico."

"The best is none too good for Tropico," that was all she said, but is that estimable lady had held the floor an hour she could not have said more.

There is a whole lot of that spirit here. We don't believe that another city this size has an equal amount. But for all that there is room for more of it. Like good, wholesome home-made bread, we can't have too much.

We will now quote from the city health officer's report:

"Tropico is, and has been during the past year, as nearly sanitary as feasible under the circumstances."

Good, we'er glad to hear it. We know why, too. Its been because "the best is none too good for Tropico." People who say that see that a city is as sanitary as possible. But why as good as possible? Why have to qualify the statement?

We caught the direction of the kind from the little statement at the trustees' meeting. We hope and believe that its freshening effect is going to keep up, and we know that it will if everyone says the same thing.

"YELLOW JOURNALISM"

Generally speaking, newspapers are on the side of law enforcement. All newspapers claim to be, but it is quite frequently true that some of the more yellow sheets abet crimes rather than hinder them.

A striking example of this latter case is to be found in a recent issue of the Los Angeles Evening Herald.

In Los Angeles they are attempting to stamp out vice. White slavery, while not common, is being given a watchful eye and to that purpose police women have been appointed. To be efficient these women must not be known by the agents who endeavor to snare their victims. However the Herald published last week a half-tone of two of the women, that was nearly as large as a circus poster.

In this same issue, large head letters proclaim that a certain potion which induces unconsciousness when innoculated into a victim, has been found. Also that they—the Evening Herald—have an antidote as prescribed by a famous surgeon.

Then followed a history of the discovery of the drug, the name and the results that follow its application.

It is safe to say that not one man in a thousand knew of the drug. Certainly not the people of lower intelligence who would be apt to use it. But now, thanks to the Herald, every vicious-minded man in the city knows of the powerful agent. They might as well devote the columns of their paper to telling how murder might be committed successfully.

As for the antidote that they so widely published, we will leave this to the reader's intelligence:. What good is an antidote to one who is unconscious?

Some take the side of the papers and cry aloud that the public demands the "yellow" class of reading. They then hasten to add that they themselves do not care for it. In fact, you can't get a single person to admit that they have an appetite for the cheap vomittings of the trashy papers. We would really like to know how they exist and who is to blame for their existence.

We know of only one way of stopping this evil. Let every clean man or woman stop their subscription to such newspapers and in doing so let the publishers know their reason. If this is carried out, we feel sure that the great numbers of moral men and women will be able to effectually dictate the class of reading that they would like to see in the city papers.

"GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS"

Out of the millions of humanity in that bustling commercial and industrial city of New York has come a lesson. Inasmuch as that lesson comes from one of the most lowly of the millions of that city and not from the rich or the powerful commercial barons, it is the more wonderful. Here is the story:

Twenty-five years ago a young lad left his native home in Europe, hopefully drawn across the seas by the word "America." No Argus ever held more allurements to the men of old than this one word to Philip Delo. To him it was the embodiment of Utophia—the land of great attainment.

As the trans-Atlantic steamer nosed into the harbor, Phillip Delo gazed at the great statue of liberty with uncovered head and from that great symbol he drew unto himself the secret of our nation.

Had it not been for this, the first five years would have embittered him, for like most aliens, the hand of helpfulness was for the most part withdrawn. After five years he received a job of gateman at "Death's Crossing." The salary was $15 a week.

But more than the salary to Philip Delo, was the fact that he had found his "hole." He was a part of the nation—he helped.

It is not for us to say that he was content. It is hardly to be supposed that this was so, for we have stated that Philip Delo had learned from the Statue of Liberty the secret, and that secret is "one for all and all for one." But he had found that he could help. Nearly every day there was an opportunity to save a human life. To Philip Delo all human lives were the same, whether bankers or huckster and at "Death's Crossing" the traffic was particularly difficult to control.

How many lives he saved will never be known, for New York was not interested in him then. What New York and the world today does know is, that last week while saving the life of a mother and her little boy, Philip Delo was caught by the rapid onrushing locomotive and ground past recognition beneath the drivers. Today New York is frantically trying to discover how many lives this "alien" has saved. That great city is trying to find out the extent of its debt to one individual and the rest of this nation looks on with sympathetic eyes. Yesterday we knew not that Philip Delo was among us, today millions read his name and they think of him reverently.

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Such was the story from New York. The lesson goes with the story and it is written large. An "alien" had entered the melting pot and from his own aid he had come out an American citizen. But he was just as much a worthy citizen before he gave his life for others as afterwards. But the world knew it not.

Around us every day are many Philip Delo's. We breathe the same air with them; we eat with them; they are beside us a hundred times a day. We seldom see them. That is one lesson.

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It is such men as Philip Delo that guarantees to each and every one of us that a government "of, for and by the people" shall not fail. Right is just as contagious as wrong and just so surely is this nation making itself a sturdy one out of the conglomerate that it receives from all the nations of the globe. That is another lesson from Philip Delo.

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Many years ago it was written "greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his fellow-men."

During the intervening ages many new thoughts have been advanced. A regular mountain of creeds and theories has risen and sometimes it seems like chaos to enter this mixed mass of accumulations and search for the truth.

This month we celebrate Christmas. It is a custom and behind the custom there is a spirit of the child whose birth we commemorate. Sometimes we lose sight of the life and we forget, but always there is something that brings us back sharp to it and this time we site the life of Philip Delo.

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This ends our story and our lessons that we have gained. Possibly it is our Christmas story. At any rate we know it has done us good. So much good in fact that we wish we could shake the aged hand of Peter Delo's mother, if she still lives, and thank her for bearing such a son. To the wife and children of this great man we can simply say: "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his fellow-men."

The Finishing Touch

This is the time when we all "spread" ourselves, and you'll find our big stock full of every good thing for this "spread." With all of these good things, there'll be more good fellowship, more Christmas cheer, more of the holiday spirit about the table—As a finishing touch try a cup of our T. M. C. Coffee.

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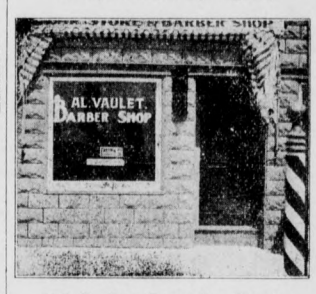

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HOW TO KILL AND DRESS A TURKEY

THE most common way of killing turkeys is to hang them up by their legs and stick them with a knife in the mouth, making one or two cuts diagonally across the roof of the mouth, while moving the point of the knife forward from the edge of the skull.

After sticking, the birds are brained by running the point of the knife under the eye or into the roof of the mouth in such a way as to strike the inside of the skull directly between the eyes. The knife may be slightly twisted when the point reaches the brain, the bird giving a characteristic quiver when properly brained, after which the feathers pick easily.

The feathers are usually picked in the following order: Flights, main tail, back, sides, breast, legs and thighs. Turkeys are usually dry picked and shipped undrawn to market. The long wing feathers bring a good price on the market. The methods of killing and dressing turkeys and chickens are practically the same.

Market poultry is divided into several classes, which vary in different markets. In general there is a class called "chickens," which covers all chickens up to the age when the roosters get tough or "staggy," which is told by the growth of their spurs, which first appear as buttons, and the lack of flexibility of the end of their breastbone or keel. After this age cockerels are usually classed as stags or old cocks. Pullets may be classed on the market as fowls after they begin to lay, but are frequently classed as chickens until they are one year old.

Chickens are usually divided into broilers, those weighing under 2½ pounds; springs, weighing from 2½ to 3½ pounds; and roosters, 3½ pounds and over. Capons are unsexed males, which are not usually sold until they are over six months of age. In picking capons the feathers are usually left on the upper part of the neck and last two joints of the wing, including the long wing feathers (flights), tail feathers, and 2½ to 3 inches from the tail on the back and a few feathers around the hock joint of the legs. The breast and lower part of the body are picked clean. The comb is small and undeveloped in a capon. In dressing ducks, geese, and turkeys all the feathers are removed, except in the latter two the wing feathers are sometimes allowed to remain.

Selecting Live Poultry

The bird should be healthy, as shown especially by its head points, such as a bright red comb and wattles and a clear, bright eye. A dark-colored comb and wattles, a dull, lusterless eye, and any mucous discharge from or swelling about the eyes or mouth show disease or poor condition. Poultry which are covered with pin feathers, especially if dark colored, are hard to dress neatly. In addition to health and condition, the bird should be well fleshed, which is best told by the amount of flesh on the back, the breast, and pelvic bones of the fowl. The flexibility of the rear end of the breastbone is the best indication of age in the fowl. This should be very soft and pliable in a young bird, and slightly stiffer and easily bent in a roaster or pullet, after which age this bone hardens and becomes large and blunt, according to the age of the fowl. The legs of young birds are smooth and become rougher and scalier as the bird grows older.

Pouring catsup over pork while it is roasting is said to greatly improve its flavor.

WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE AND SAFETY LAW EFFECTIVE JAN. 1

Commencing January 1, 1914, employers will be held liable under the Workmen's Compensation, Insurance and Safety Act for any accidental injuries sustained by employees while at work. The State, through its Compensation Insurance Fund provided for under the Act, has prepared to insure employers against such loss at the lowest standard rates. These rates will average from 20 to 40 per cent lower than compensation rates that have hitherto prevailed in California.

Except in the case where workers themselves are guilty of intoxication or wilful misconduct, the employer, under the law, will be held liable for any injury sustained by his employees by accident arising out of and in the course of the employment, and also for the death of any such employee if the injury shall proximately cause death. The only exceptions relate to those employees engaged in household domestic service or in the various forms of agriculture.

After paying losses, operating expenses, setting aside required reserves and a moderate percentage to build up a surplus to meet possible catastrophe losses, the balance, if any, will be in the nature of a profit that, in the case of stock companies, would be paid to the stockholders in dividends, but in the case of the State Insurance Fund, it is the intention of the Industrial Accident Commission to have the policy holders reap the benefit.

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Mrs. Alice Chesline and Miss Laura Chesline were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Webb and family on West Acacia avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Goodrich and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pascoe at Whittier over Sunday.

Mr. Pascoe is recovering from injuries received when his automobile turned turtle near Barstow ten days ago.

Mrs. Low Westlake of West Tenth street left the early part of the week for Denver, Colorado, where she will visit relatives during the winter season.

Mrs. J. E. Bahrenberg entertained as a house guest Mrs. B. D. Morris of St. Louis for the week end. Mrs. Morris is an old friend of Mrs. Bahrenberg, and the visit was a most enjoyable one.

Mrs. Richard Tiffany of Pasadena was the guest of her mother, Mrs. William Tiffany on West Tropico avenue last Friday, and she also attended the regular meeting of the W. R. C. in the afternoon.

Mrs. Glen Craig of Burbank (formerly Miss Mabel Evans of Tropico) proved herself a charming and entertaining hostess when she entertained the Fleur-de-Lis club at her home, on Palm avenue, Burbank, last Saturday.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold a Xmas sale in the church parlors December 19. Doors open at 5 p. m. Lunch served during evening. We solicit your patronage.

Within four days the Grim Reaper has visited the ranks of the veterans of N. P. Banks Post, G. A. R., taking as toll therefrom three of their beloved comrades. This is a heavy loss, but these old, grim defenders of the Union are the soul of optimism, and as they lay away each of their brothers they face the inevitable question "Who is to be the next?" as cheerfully as they faced the fire of the enemy fifty years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hammond of East Cypress street entertained at dinner a party of friends from Colegrove last week. Those who have ever partaken of Mrs. Hammond's gastronomic creations can readily understand why the dinner was so thoroughly enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hartwig entertained a party of Hoosiers at a 6 o'clock dinner last Sunday. Covers were laid for the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hoffman, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Alfred Kehlbeck of Indianapolis, Mr. William Wheeler of South Dakota and Miss Helen Hartwig.

Commander Joseph V. Griffin, Junior vice-Commander, Bert N. Burlingame, and Color-Bearer Guy Pixley of the N. P. Banks Camp attended the meeting of the General Rosecrans Camp, Sons of Veterans, in Los Angeles Monday night, where they were entertained royally and feasted bountifully.

Persistent rumors are afloat to the effect that one of Tropico's most popular young ladies is about to announce her approaching wedding. Far be it from the lowly editor to beat her to it, but the society reporter turns this in with the postscript to the effect that the young lady lives on the east side, and is taking lessons on a recently acquired Wiley B. Allen piano. That's fair enough.

Apropos of the recent production of that popular playlet, "Red Dogs' Secret," it is understood that there is to be a revival of amateur theatricals at Tropico. We used to have a very creditable amateur company whose efforts were well worth seeing, and there should be no difficulty in obtaining sufficient talent, judging from the work of those engaged in producing the abovementioned playet.

J. M. Fishback and "Billy" Gould are making preparations for a big turkey shoot to take place on the hills east of the Tropico school on Sunday, December 21, commencing at 8 a. m. Trap, rifle and pistol shooting will be used and a big time is assured everybody who attends.

XMAS TREE

The Knights of Pythias will give a Xmas tree to all the children of Tropico next Monday evening, December 22, at the Knights of Pythias hall.

The K. P.'s want the name of every boy and girl in Tropico under the age of 12 years, and you are invited to register at the following places:

The O. K. Market.
Valley Press.
Davis' Grocery.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend. An excellent program has been prepared.

Miss Katherine Hoobs was hostess to a select little dinner party at her home on West Central avenue last Sunday. The decorations and appointments, suggestive of the holiday seasan were beautifully arranged throughout the several rooms. Covers, laid for eight, were for Mr. and Mrs. John Hobbs, Mr. Carlton West, Misses Harriet Meyers, Esther Jones, Blanche Shea, Dorothy Hobbs and the hostess.

Relatives and friends of Mrs. Counsel of Los Angeles, the mother of Mrs. William Hough and Mrs. Richard Todd of Tropico, are much alarmed over her recent critical illness. Mrs. Counsel has been severely ill for some time, and so alarming has her condition become that her daughters have been at her bedside almost constantly. It is the earnest wish of their friends in Tropico that this estimable woman will be able to successfully combat her illness and soon be on the road to recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph V. Griffin attended the "country fair" social given by the Fraternal Brotherhood in Los Angeles, as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Goodrich. The affair was a huge success. One of the principal features was a "kissing booth," that worked something like this: The prospective "kisser," after seeing the two exceptionally pretty "kissees," promptly purchased one or more tickets at five cents each. He was then escorted into an adjoining room, the door slammed shut behind him and he found himself in the presence of a young man daintily attired in ladies attire (and a short, stubble of beard). There was no fake about it. The kisses were there if he wanted them. Mr. Griffin, in anticipation of this feature, converted the family bank roll into nickels, therefore he is carrying considerable small change this week.

CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY

In celebration of her seventh birthday anniversary Miss Geraldine Meagher of 319 West Tenth street entertained a company of small friends Saturday afternoon.

The rooms were prettily decorated for the event, the Christmas colors predominating. In the center of the dining table, where refreshments were served was a handsome birthday cake ornamented with seven candles. The place cards, with Santa Claus bearing Christmas greetings, amused the little ones. The children present were: Geraldine Meagher, Dorothy Cormack, Margaret Fortune, Genevieve Marel, Eleanor Bradford, Carlotta Wade, Isabel Cutshall Violet Benner, Helen Hutton, Earl Cutshall, Ruth Hutton.

VERDI CENTENARY CELE-

Music lovers of Los Angeles, Tropico and Glendale greatly enjoyed a musical and literary program under the direction of Signor Pietro Buzzi, at Blanchard hall on Friday evening. The musicale was in honor of Verdi, Italy's greatest composer, and all of the selections given were of his composing.

Those taking part were Miss Helen Beatrix Cooper, Mrs. Aliberto Arnaz and Miss Adela Levy, Lyric sopranos; Miss Glendora Zink, pianist, and Signor Buzzi, who gave a very interesting talk on the life and work of the beloved composer. As all of the participants were of unusually attractive personalities and were beautifully gowned the entertainment was a delight to the eye as well as to the ear, and the audience made known its appreciation by the hearty applause which followed each number and by beautiful floral tributes.

It is probable that part of the program will be repeated either in Tropico or Glendale under the auspices of the Tropico Thursday Afternoon club some time in January.

TANUTA-CUNNINGHAM

A very pretty wedding took place 8 o'clock Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallace, Walnut Drive, Florence. It being the occasion of the marriage of Grace Cunningham of Tropico to Mr. John Tanuta of of Chicago, Rev. Matties of the Presbyterian church officiating.

While the vows were being exchanged the bridal party stood under the archway, which was decorated with a large bell and mistletoe, garlands of holly and smilax bridal wreaths.

Mrs. J. Wallace played the wedding march, and after the ceremony sang "I Need Thee," accompanied on the mandolin by her husband, Mr. J. Wallace.

The bride carried an arm bouquet of white carnations. She was beautifully dressed in an embroidered grey chiffon broadcloth gown trimmed with fur.

Mrs. Mae Benner of Tropico acted as bridesmaid and wore a delicate green silk and lace tunic with a corsage bouquet of Cecil Brunner roses.

Mr. Bertstrum of Los Angeles acted as best man. Later in the evening the wedding supper was served.

The bride cut the wedding cake and several toasts were made in honor of the bride and groom.

After the honey moon they will be at home to their many friends at Grace Court, Tropico.

The Trustees Meeting

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cluster this amount would be five per cent less per foot.

A letter from Mrs. A. H. Nueman, Mrs. Bridges and Mr. Zumwaldt in which they offered the necessary tract of land to the opening of Halstreet to the "wash" was read and finally accepted by the trustees.

A communication by several citizens asking for the resignation of City Attorney Baker was read and referred to the committee as a whole.

A communication from Attorneys Stephens & Stephens of the Richardson tract, in which they objected to the improvement of Glendale avenue unless the arch over the cemetery was ordered out of the right of way was read.

The city health officer gave his annual report and it appears in other columns of this paper.

The following bills were allowed:

Henry Fels	$625.00
P. L. & P. Co.	104.75
C. L. Jennings	33.30
F. R. Sinclair	242.38

E. D. Severance of Glendale addressed the trustees on the possibility of the construction of a bridge over Los Angeles river at Ivanhoe and ask that a representative be appointed to serve in common with a representative from Glendale when they made an appeal to the Los Angeles city council for the construction of the bridge by Los Angeles. Mr. Bancroft was chosen by the trustees to fill the position.

High School Notes

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referee was decidedly against Glendale.

At the end of the first half the score was 9 to 8 in Whittier's favor. In the second half our team went to pieces and Whittier rolled up a score of 32 to our 10, which was the final score. But Glendale is not out of the scrap yet and they mean to put up an awful fight for that championship.

Dancing Bottles

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were shattered—likewise the bottles. If a marksman misses he stole stealthily forward for ten or a dozen yards. If this range was still too far, the same sortie was carried out. So it was that when darkness closed the scene the records and bottles alike were shattered to fragments and the automobile brought back our townsmen.

Come to think about it, not any one single statement is hard to believe. It's the general results and the things that lead up to them. However, we are inclined to believe it.

A CORRECTION?

In an editorial printed in last week's Sentinel entitled "Kisses Five Cents Each," we deplored the fact that any lodge organization should traffic in kisses in order to meet its bills.

Since the printing of the article, we have received a letter from the organization referred to, in which they have denied the allegations. They explained that one of their handsome members impersonated a young lady and in the dimness of a booth, with lips pursed, furnished the kisses to the men folk who were not descerning enough to detect the difference.

Such an harmless sort of amusement is not for us to disparage. All the lodge members in all the lodges may indulge in this custom for 365 days in a year and never get a word of protest from us.

We cannot, however, correct the impression as the writer suggests. The article which called our attention to the fact appeared in a Los Angeles daily, of which we have no control. And whether the members of the organization kissed women, men or statues, the impression has been scattered broadcast and the time for the correction of that impression is past.

GERMS.

Editor The Sentinel:

I believe that a few hundred years ago there were as many germs as there are at the present time. There's no good reason for thinking otherwise, yet many people lived and some even to a ripe old age (as witness Methuselah) and have left a numerous posterity behind. Later on some genius invented the microscope. Then scientists began with its use to try to find the cause of diseases. By magnifying objects greatly they found in some of the minute objects of our food many living organisms, some so small that a million of them could rest on the point of a needle (a blunt pointed one, I suppose). I don't know that they ever really counted them. Horrors! And all down the ages our ancesters had been gulping down and chewing up millions of bacteria and germs, many of them deadly, the deadliness perhaps in proportion to the amount of fear that might be inspired in the person partaking thereof.

However, on the principle that what one doesn't know don't hurt them, many have survived.

Therefore now we have diphtheria germs, typhoid cultures, smallpox bacillus, yellow fever microbes, etc., etc.

Therefore now we have health boards to look after us, who see death and destruction in every pile of refuse and malaria floating from eevry stagnant puddle. We have also Pure Food laws and sanitary regulations so strict that it is almost impossible for one to get sick. It seems as if the word sanitary was almost woked overtime.

I have been informed that they have evolved a sanitary tombstone that is so perfect in its operation that if properly set up over your grave you will never get sick any more! Great are the discoveries of science. Some months ago an exhibition was given to the school children of Los Angeles of germs, etc., magnified until they seemed as large as grasshoppers, and which threw a good-sized scare into the children and possibly some of the older ones, but the operators forgot to magnify the children to the same proportion, which would have made them seem as large as Mt. Lowe and Old Baldy combined, and would have made the germs seem like small potatoes in the Salt Lake Basin.

Yours sparingly,
G. Washington Bledsoe.

FOX FARMING IN THE YUKON

FOX farming in the north which took such a boost in the last year or two seems to have sustained a big set-back judging from Consular Agent E. J. White of Whitehorse, Canada. Mr. White in a recent report says:

The enthusiasm concerning fox catching and farming in this portion of the north has materially waned during the past few weeks, owing to the fact that the price of foxes has decreased nearly 50 per cent since last summer and that hundreds of foxes held in captivity have died from some unknown cause. Many of these foxes were black, and in some cases as high as $1,500 to $2,000 had been paid for them. One dealer, who, it is said, could have sold his stock of foxes in July for $65,000, sold two weeks ago for less than $35,000, the latter price being due to the decline in prices, to some extent but also to the fact that many of the animals had died in the meantime. One young black fox, for which $1,600 had been paid, died five days after being placed in the corral.

Owing to the decline in price fully 150 young foxes, all of of the red variety, held in captivity in southern Yukon, have been turned out to return to their native haunts in the wilds. Previous to sickness developing among the foxes in captivity here, upward of 200 young ones had been shipped from Whitehorse alone to fox ranches in New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and to dealers near Boston, Mass. At present there are not 50 held in this locality.

A number are experimenting with mink farming, but great difficulty is experienced in keeping them, wire corrals offering little resistance when they seek their freedom.

Owners of black and silver gray foxes are not discouraged over the slump in prices but contend that they will be more valuable than ever within a few months.

DO YOU EAT MEAT?

WITH cattle and hogs decreasing at an alarming rate; the price of all meat products increasing rapidly, and the population climbing up, the question of meat for the people is assuming momentous proportions. A number of forces are at work striving to solve the problem. Many plans have been offered for reducing the cost of meat, but, notwithstanding, there has been a steady increase in prices of meat, and, judging from the prophecy of those who claim to be qualified to speak, we may expect still higher prices.

The raising of cattle is going through an evolutionary stage. One of the features which has influenced, and is influencing the tremendous rise in meat prices, is the elimination of the small farmer as a meat producer, and it is going to take time and change of conditions to get him back into the meat producing business.

During the past half century methods have greatly changed. Twenty to fifty years ago every farmer was his own butcher, and used to kill several beeves and a dozen or more of hogs. The surplus meat being sold to his neighbors or in the nearest market town.

When the cold weather came on in November and December, practically every family had at least a quarter of beef or a dressed hog or two.

These were hung in the smoke-house or wood shed, and used as needed until the warm weather of spring, when the remaining meat was pickled, or cured, or cofned, and carried over into the summer.

The farmers sold to their home customers for about the same price they could realize from the commission men and the result was that the consumer got their meat at first hands, and saved three or four middle men's profits.

But the rise and expansion of the packing houses has brought about a complete change in the system which prevailed. The ramification of railways in the trans-Missouri region, with the great free ranges opened thereby, gave to the grazing industry a tremendous impetus which rendered the packers independent of the farmer in a large measure. It was so much easier for a drover to go out into the free range region and buy up a trainload of beeves from one or two cattlemen, than to have to range the country buying two or three from one farmer, half a dozen from another, and, perhaps, a single steer from a third; and the animals fed on free range came so much cheaper than those which had been grown on high-priced lands, paying taxes, and bearing other burdens, that the farmer was at a decided disadvantage in the production of meat. He could not compete. Then, gradually, through the influence of the packing and meat dealing interests, he was eliminated gradually from his own home market by municipal regulations that restricted his annual sales of quarters of dressed beef and dressed hogs to householders in the neighboring town; and all who had been supplied that way were forced into the meat markets, to buy the products of the packing houses in the great cities, which compelled the local dealer to sell at high prices, or quit. Now there is upon the scene another generation, who know nothing of the old way of laying in a winter's supply of meat, and getting it at prices which shut out the profits of several middlemen. So it can be seen that there has grown up a new system which has to be changed in some way, if the farmer is to be brought again into the meat producing class in numbers sufficient to give any real relief. But no change that can be made will bring a return of the old system whereby meat for the great body of the people was but a few cents per pound. The small farmer can be restored to activity as a meat producer, but there will have to be a great change in methods and practices which, however, cannot restore the old level of prices.

A number of cities throughout the country have come to realize that the only way of relieving the high cost of living is to bring the producer and consumer together. To that end they are establishing municipal markets for farmers from the surrounding country, so they can bring in and sell their products. In time this practice will probably mean the erection of large and comfortable buildings devoted to the market business.

In those cities which have adopted the method there is noted already a great depreciation in the prices of all kinds of vegetables, fruits, etc., and the farmers are realizing prices much greater than those paid them by the hucksters who sold to the consumers. The new method of marketing, which, in fact, is a return to the old practices of former times, is destined to spread and become general. In that is the germ of an idea which may develop in the return of the farmer to the list of meat producers. Modern sanitation has cut off old methods of slaughtering animals, but in some city there will be adopted the idea of a municipal abbatoir, where the farmers of the region surrounding will be invited to take their beeves, calves and hogs for slaughter, paying a fair charge for the service, receiving the meat and taking it to the municipal market, selling it to the municipal market, selling it there themselves to the consumers, who will have the guaranty of the municipal abbatoir that it is clean. When one city has adopted the plan its adoption will spread as quickly as the farmers can be educated to the advantages it will present and go to raising meat for market.

WAITING

(John Burroughs, in New York Weekly)

Serene I fold my hands and wait,
Nor care for wind, nor tide nor sea.
I rave no more 'gainst time nor fate,
For, lo! my own shall come to me.

I stay my haste, I make delays;
For what avails this eager pace?
I stand amid the eternal ways,
And what is mine shall know my face.

Asleep, awake, by night or day,
The friends I seek are seeking me;
No wind can drive my bark astray,
Nor change the tide of destiny.

What matter if I stand alone?
I wait with joy the coming years;
My heart shall reap where it has sown,
And garner up its fruit of tears.

The waters know their own, and draw
The brook that springs in yonder heights;
So flows the good with equal law
Unto the soul of pure delights.

Yon floweret nodding in the wind
Is ready plighted to the bee;
And, maiden, why that look unkind?
For, lo, thy lover seeketh thee.

The stars come nightly to the sky,
The tidal wave unto the sea;
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HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30TH, 1913

To the Honorable Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, Cal.

Sirs:—I have the honor to report regarding the work of the Department of Health of the City of Tropico for the preceeding twelve months and the general sanitary matters of the community, as follows:

Tropico is, and has been during the year, as nearly a model, sanitary city as feasible under the circumstances. Much improvement would be obtained by the installation of modern water supply and sewage disposal systems, but aside from these items conditions are approximately satisfactory.

During the year the Health Officer has investigated nearly two hundred (200) complaints and in sixty (60) has found the complaint well grounded and ordered necessary improvements made. He has made some five hundred (500) inspections, included in which are possibly sixty per cent. of the private premises and all the stores, shops, laundries and other business properties in the city. These latter have been inspected repeatedly, and in practically every case necessitating remedy the response has been immediate and cheerful. Every street and alley within the limits of the city of Tropico, to the best of our knowledge, has been traversed and any sanitary abuse noted ordered corrected.

Tropico has been remarkably and fortunately free from epidemics during the year. There have been recorded ten (10) cases of scarlet fever and quite a number of measles, none of which were fatal. No diphtheria, small pox, typhoid fever or other contagious diseases has been reported, and it has not been necessary at any time to interfere with the operation of the public schools or other public gatherings.

There have occurred within the city nineteen (19) deaths. Of these three (3) were adult visitors, non-residents, two (2) Japanese, also non-residents, leaving fourteen (14) for the city proper. Of these, with a very few exceptions the deceased were among the aged. It is rather remarkable that there have been no deaths among infants. This fact and the ratio of deaths per thousand, based on the most reliable estimates of population, i. e., 4.6 per thousand, are figures which can be equalled by few municipalities and are far below the general average.

One regretable feature, from a sanitary standpoint, is the practically universal neglect to report cases of tuberculosis. These cases come and go without let or hindrance, infecting buildings and localities, thus establishing new centers for spreading the disease, and since it is impossible for the Health Officer to cause the buildings to be disinfected many innocents each year are doubtless added to the list of victims of the great white plague. Probably the best method of abating this evil in Tropico would be the house to house distribution of literature explaining the evils of tuberculosis and the best methods of overcoming and combating its ravages.

During the year there have been seven fumigations and disinfections for scarlet fever, three remaining to be done, six for measles, four for tuberculosis, four for general purposes and several minor disinfections of bedding and clothing. The city should own some pattern of formaldhyde generator to make disinfections most efficient and less expensive.

The Health Department has been more or less instrumental in the preparation and adoption of Ordinance No. 64, regulating the keeping of domestic animals and fowls, and No. 65, regulating the traffic of milk and cream and of dairies, etc., in the city of Tropico. Without these ordinances it was practically impossible to control many of the causes of complaint and possible sources of danger of disease in the city. The Health Officer believes the Board of Trustees has provided in these two ordinances about the best possible remedy along these lines without any measurable possibility of inconveniencing any citizen who desires to do his duty in the community. These ordinances are now in operation, but have not been tried out long enough to permit results to be recorded.

The most difficult duty of the Health Officer is in connection with Section 32 of Ordinance No. 44, providing for the installation of cesspools. A habit of neglect has grown up in regard to cesspools, and habit is hard to break. During the year many complaints have been made because of open closets and failure to provide cesspools, most of the complaints being made without urgent reasons therefor. One hundred and thirty-six cesspools have been installed during the year, but there are many failures to comply with the law. In many cases the financial condition of the property owner precludes the expense and it has been the policy of this department to countenance outside toilets in such cases, exacting promises that rigid care be taken to prevent complaints and for installations at the earliest possible date. A possible relief in this line, though at the present time probably not feasible, would be for the city to build cesspools where needed and collect from the property owner such installments monthly as necessary to cancel the obligation in a given period.

During the past season, especially in August and September, there was a shortage of water amounting to practical famine in the north and easterly sections of Tropico. The sanitary conditions finally became alarming through inability of householders to flush toilets and satisfactorially maintain clearly conditions about their homes. These conditions culminated the latter part of August, when 180 complaints were registered in 36 hours, and the water superintendent confessed his inability to remedy conditions.

The Health Officer, after consulting with members of the Board of Trustees, issued an order regulating the use of water throughout the city. This rather radical and disagreeable remedy worked satisfactorily in so far as abating the water famine in domestic supply, as evidenced by the fact that during the ten days following the general compliance with the order, no complaints were made.

Fortunately this famine was not due to shortage of water. There was at all times an adequate supply in the reservoir. Lack of pressure in the higher parts of the city had much to do with the trouble, but the greatest difficulty arose from the fact that all the large and direct pipes lead to the lower part of the city and the smaller ones for the higher parts are given off in such a manner as to preclude good service.

Measures to prevent a repetition of this disgraceful experience should be inaugurated without delay and it is the suggestion of the Health Officer that the Board of Trustees instruct the City Engineer to make a thorough examination of the present system and make recommendations at the earliest possible date for the changes and additions required therein to secure adequate service for the future.

The sanitary needs of the city, in addition to those already mentioned, from the Health Officer's point of view are as follows:

1st. The consideration and adoption of some method of garbage collection and disposal. The present method of burial of refuse is objectionable. Many families burn garbage on bonfires or in home-made incinerators and bury the ashes. This method is more desirable than the former, but is distinctly primitive for a city to depend upon. When any person in Tropico desires to dispose of rubbish which will not burn he is hard pressed to discover any place to dump it except under cover of night. Last spring a "clean-up" week was planned by the Health Officer and made possible by the co-operation of the citizens generally and the active assistance of the street superintendent who caused over a hundred wagon loads of garbage and general refuse to be carted away and disposed of in a manner known only to himself. Such another clean-up week will probably be arranged next spring, but the city should have a municipal dumping ground as well as a systematic method of collecting and disposing of refuse.

2nd. The public streets need cleaning oftener than is now possible with the means at the disposal of the street superintendent. This statement is based on the street superintendent's statement that he does all he can and the Health Officer's opinion of the streets. Especially is this true of the business section. Flies are decidedly too common therein and with more frequent cleanings of the streets and provision of a dumping ground where merchants could dispose of their accumulations of refuse and of manure without waiting for some farmer to call for it, this trouble would be largely abated.

3rd. It has long been the opinion of the Health Officer that the laws provided for the enforcement of measures necessary for the public health were inadequate. As already noted, ordinances No.s 64 and 65 have been added and probably will assist materially, but there is still a deficiency in two particulars.

A. The law, particularly health ordinance No. 40, under which the Health Officer is supposed to obtain his power to operate, is defective in that prosecutions based upon it will not hold. It has been the ridiculous and humiliating experience of the Health Officer to find in the one case during the year where it has been necessary to arrest an offender that his action has not been upheld by the court, although the charges were clear and specific. The net result is that while the Health Officer may order anybody to do so and so even to the extent of incurring abusive treatment and language for his pains, his only redress is to swear out a warrant for "disturbing the peace" and witness the offending party continue throwing garbage into the street or violating any other than the most specifically mentioned offenses.

B. There are many acts not mentioned specifically as misdemeanors or offences which should be included in an ordinance along with any other items needed to make ordinance No. 40 effective. The chief matters are:

The disposition in streets and alleys of garbage, refuse, debris, waste matters of any and all kinds, including the release of news and waste papers, handbills, etc.

The distribution or peddling of samples of medicines or other commodities on the streets, alleys, etc., or from house to house, or to individuals upon the streets, etc.

The carrying through the stretts of swill, beet pulp or any and all other foul smelling substances except in vehicles which do not leak and which are covered sufficiently to prevent noxious odors from escaping. The Health Officer has often witnessed wagons of pulp and of brewery refuse passing along the street leaving enough stinking liquid behind to thoroughly wet the pavement and provide food for countless flies, but has no power to prevent it.

Finally the desire of the Health Officer is to make the conditions in the city of Tropico constantly better and he believes the best way to secure a continuation of the harmony of the past year and obtain results is for him to have the unquestioned power to enforce such measures as are necessary and meet with the approval of the appointing power, the Board of Trustees. Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. MABRY,
Health Officer.

December 10th, 1913.

FANNIE BLOOMFIELD ZEISLER, PIANIST

Fanny Bloomfield Zeisler, the distinguished Jewess pianist, will present but one program in Los Angeles, Friday evening, December 19th, at the Auditorium.

Those who know this artist admire her multi-varied life. As wife, mother and daughter she has done something to help obliterate a few of the erroneous ideas the public has gained of artist life in general, for, although just now in the heydey of her career, for 26 years she has enjoyed a happy married life. As mother of three sons, she is described by an intimate friend as absolutely in touch with their pursuits, and the kind of daughter she is is shown by the beautiful devotion to her mother, Mrs. Bloomfield, who makes her home with Mrs. Zeisler. A most interesting, fine minded woman is Mrs. Bloomfield, who has seen all her children rise to distinction, one of them being Prof. Bloomfield of Johns Hopkins University.

Mrs. Zeisler has carved her own career, if ever a woman did. Good American grit to overcome obstacles is hers, so is that wonderful personality which, if it had not been piano, would still have created a stir in whatever she undertook. Since a youngster she has always been in the public eye, but in a nice way; there was something really worth while to talk about, whether in relation to her art, her interpretation or her manner of doing things. She created discussion then and she creates discussion today, for no great artist claims infallibility. In Germany, in Vienna, years ago, Mrs. Zeisler made for herself a position in a public little used to and not much inclined toward Americans. Since that time she has grown in her art immensely; indeed, to such an extent that she wields an influence over the big American public in the artistic centers of this hemisphere, and is in that happy position where she can accept or refuse engagements as she may be inclined.

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